Against HB 5429

This bill was defeated last year because the citizens of this state didn't want it. Raising it again this year does not change that.

If "as of right" is not already illegal.....then it should be. Developers cannot have "rights" that override elected-by-the-people local zoning boards.

Activists, lobbyists, politicians, and developers who live outside our small towns are pushing an agenda that ignores our infrastructure, environmental concerns, sanitation capability, transit availability, density issues, private property rights, and the wishes of the people who live in these semi-rural communities. This bill will destroy Connecticut's small towns.

Through local market studies we can determine if additional reasonably priced housing is necessary in our town and, if so, our local zoning boards can figure out the best locations. WE DO NOT WANT OR NEED HARTFORD'S DESTRUCTIVE MANDATES!

And with a looming massive recession facing us, rental and housing prices may fall precipitously as I have seen them do in the past.

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